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- (a) In this article the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (b) "Contested case hearing" means an adjudicatory hearing in accordance with the contested case procedures of Subtitle 2 of the Maryland Administrative Procedure Act.
- (c) "County" means a county of this State and, unless expressly provided otherwise, Baltimore City.
 - (d) "Department" means the Department of the Environment.
- (e) "Health officer" means the Baltimore City Commissioner of Health or the health officer of a county.
- (f) "Includes" or "including" means includes or including by way of illustration and not by way of limitation.
- (g) "Informational meeting" means a meeting, open to the public, at which the applicant or the Department presents information concerning a permit application. An informational meeting is not a contested case hearing nor an agency hearing under § 10-202(d) of the State Government Article.
- (h) "Person" means an individual, receiver, trustee, guardian, personal representative, fiduciary, or representative of any kind and any partnership, firm, association, corporation, or other entity.
- (i) "Physician" means an individual who is authorized under the Maryland Medical Practice Act to practice medicine in this State.
- (j) "Public hearing" means a meeting, open to the public, at which the Department receives oral and written comments concerning a tentative determination. A public hearing is not a contested case hearing nor an agency hearing under § 10-202(d) of the State Government Article.
 - (k) "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Environment.
 - (l) "State" means:

- (1) A state, possession, or territory of the United States;
- (2) The District of Columbia; or
- (3) The Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.
- (m) "Substantively" means in a manner substantially affecting the rights, duties, or obligations of a member of the public.

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